

HARRIET TUBMAN VILLAGE CHARTER SCHOOL

CONFLICT OF INTEREST CODE

I. ADOPTION

In compliance with the Political Reform Act of 1974, California Government Code Section 87100, et seq., Harriet Tubman Village Charter School hereby adopts this Conflict of Interest Code ("Code"), which shall apply to all governing board members and all other designated employees of Harriet Tubman Village Charter School ("Charter School") as required by California Government Code Section 87300.

II. DEFINITION OF TERMS

The definitions contained in the Political Reform Act of 1974, the regulations of the Fair Political Practices Commission, specifically California Code of Regulations Section 18730, and any amendments or modifications to the Act and regulations are incorporated by reference to this Code.

III. DESIGNATED EMPLOYEES

Employees of this Charter School, including governing board members, who hold positions that involve the making or participation in the making, of decisions that may foreseeably have a material effect on any financial interest, shall be "Designated Employees." The Designated Employee positions are listed in "Exhibit A" attached to this policy and incorporated by reference herein.

IV. STATEMENT OF ECONOMIC INTERESTS: FILING

Each Designated Employee, including governing board members, shall file a Form 700 Statement of Economic Interest ("Statement") at the time and manner prescribed by California Code of Regulations, title 2, section 18730, disclosing reportable investments, interests in real property, business positions, and income required to be reported under the category or categories to which the Designated Employee's position is assigned in "Exhibit A."

An investment, interest in real property or income shall be reportable, if the business entity in which the investment is held, the interest in real property, the business position, or source of income may foreseeably be affected materially by a decision made or participated in by the Designated Employee by virtue of his or her position. The specific disclosure responsibilities assigned to each position are set forth in "Exhibit B."

Statements Filed With the Charter School. All Statements shall be supplied by the Charter School. All Statements shall be filed with the Charter School. The Charter School's filing officer shall make and retain a copy of the Statement and forward the original to the San Diego County Board of Supervisors.

V. DISQUALIFICATION

No Designated Employee shall make, participate in making, or try to use his/her official position to influence any Charter School decision which he/she knows or has reason to know will have a reasonably foreseeable material financial effect, distinguishable from its effect on the public generally, on the official or a member of his or her immediate family.

VI. MANNER OF DISQUALIFICATION

A. Non-Governing Board Member Designated Employees

When a non-Governing Board member Designated Employee determines that he/she should not make a decision because of a disqualifying interest, he/she should submit a written disclosure of the disqualifying interest to his/her immediate supervisor. The supervisor shall immediately reassign the matter to another employee and shall forward the disclosure notice to the Charter School Executive Director, who shall record the Designated Employee's disqualification. In the case of a Designated Employee who is head of an agency, this determination and disclosure shall be made in writing to his/her appointing authority (i.e. the Board of Directors).

B. Governing Board Member Designated Employees

Governing Board members shall disclose a disqualifying interest at the meeting during which consideration of the decision takes place. This disclosure shall be made part of the Board's official record. The Board member shall refrain from participating in the decision in any way (i.e., the Board member with the disqualifying interest shall refrain from voting on the matter and shall leave the room during Board discussion and when the final vote is taken) and also comply with any applicable provisions of the Charter School bylaws.

EXHIBIT A

<u>Designated Position</u>	<u>Assigned Disclosure Category</u>
Members of the Governing Board	I, II, III
Principal/CEO	I, II, III
Business Manager/CFO	I, II, III
Building Services Supervisor	I, II, III
Food Services Manager	I, II, III
Consultants	*

*Consultants are included in the list of designated positions and shall disclose pursuant to the broadest disclosure category in the code, subject to the following limitation:

The Principal may determine in writing that a particular consultant, although a "designated position," is hired to perform a range of duties that is limited in scope and thus is not required to fully comply with the disclosure requirements in this section. Such written determination shall include a description of the consultant's duties and, based upon that description, a statement of the extent of disclosure requirements. The Principal's determination is a public record and shall be retained for public inspection in the same manner and location as this conflict-of-interest code. (Govt. Code § 81008.)

EXHIBIT B

Disclosure Categories

Category I

Designated positions assigned to this category must report:

- a. Interests in real property which are located in whole or in part within the boundaries (and a two mile radius) of the District in which the Charter School operates.
- b. Investments in, income, including gifts, loans, and travel payments, from, and business positions in any business entity of the type which engages in the acquisition or disposal of real property or are engaged in building construction or design.
- c. Investments in, income, including gifts, loans, and travel payments, from, and business positions in any business entity of the type which engages in, the manufacture, sale, repair, rental or distribution of school supplies, books, materials, school furnishings or equipment utilized by the Charter School.

Category II

Designated positions assigned to this category must report:

Investments in, income, including gifts, loans, and travel payments, from, and business positions in any business entity of the type which engages in the manufacture, sale, repair, rental or distribution of school supplies, books, materials, school furnishings or equipment to be utilized by the Charter School, its parents, teachers and students for educational purposes. This includes, but is not limited to, educational supplies, textbooks and items used for extra-curricular courses.

Category 3

Designated positions assigned to this category must report:

Investments in, income, including gifts, loans, and travel payments, from, sources which are engaged in the performance of work or services of the type to be utilized by the Charter School, its parents, teachers and students for educational purposes. This includes, but is not limited to, student services commonly provided in public schools such as speech therapists and counselors.



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Via U.S. Mail

January 17, 2012

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Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
Conflict of Interest Code and Filings
1600 Pacific Highway, Room 402
San Diego, CA 92101-2471

**RE: Conflict of Interest Code and Form 700 Statements of Economic Interest
Harriet Tubman Village Charter School**

Dear Clerk of the Board:

Enclosed for approval of the San Diego County Board of Supervisors ("Board"), please find a copy of the conflict of interest code for Harriet Tubman Village Charter School ("HTVCS"). HTVCS is a California public charter school located in San Diego, and operating solely within San Diego County. As such, it is our understanding that the Board is the appropriate code-reviewing body of HTVCS under the Political Reform Act.

We also enclose for your files the original Form 700 Statements of Economic Interest ("Statements") for the HTVCS Board of Directors and other designated employees (as memorialized in Exhibit A to the conflict of interest code).

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Should you have any questions regarding this filing, or require any additional information from HTVCS, please let me know.

Sincerely,

Lidia Scinski
Principal
Harriet Tubman Village Charter School